

COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 261.86, the Iowa College Student Aid Commission hereby amends Chapter 20, “National Guard Educational Assistance Program,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The rules in Chapter 20 describe the administration of the Iowa National Guard Educational Assistance Program. These amendments provide new definitions, ensure that late applications can be accepted for Guard members on active duty at the time of the application deadline, and renumber subrules as appropriate.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 1122C** on October 16, 2013. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

These amendments were adopted during the January 17, 2014, meeting of the College Student Aid Commission.

After analysis and review of this rule making, the Commission finds that there is no impact on jobs.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 261.

These amendments will become effective on March 26, 2014.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Renumber subrules **20.1(1)** to **20.1(6)** as **20.1(2)** to **20.1(7)**.

ITEM 2. Adopt the following **new** subrule 20.1(1):

20.1(1) Definitions. As used in this chapter:

“*Federal active duty*” means military duty performed pursuant to orders issued under Title 10, United States Code, other than for training.

“*State-defined payment period*” means one of five payment terms and corresponding deadlines as defined by the college student aid commission.

ITEM 3. Amend renumbered subrule 20.1(2) as follows:

20.1(2) Guard member eligibility. A recipient must:

- a. Be a resident of Iowa, as defined by the adjutant general of Iowa, and a member of an Iowa army or air national guard unit throughout each term for which the member receives benefits.
- b. Have satisfactorily completed required guard training.
- c. Have maintained satisfactory performance of guard duty.
- d. Have applied to the adjutant general of Iowa for program eligibility by the established application deadline date(s). The adjutant general shall accept an application from an eligible member of the Iowa national guard who was on federal active duty at the time of an application deadline if the application is received within 30 days after the eligible member returns to Iowa from federal active duty. The applicant will be considered for funding for the state-defined payment period in which the application was received and any future state-defined payment periods in that academic year.
- e. Be pursuing a certificate or undergraduate degree program at an eligible Iowa college or university and maintaining satisfactory academic progress.
- f. Provide notice of national guard status to the college or university at the time of registration.

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